UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE NINTH CIRCUIT

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MEDIATION QUESTIONNAIRE

The purpose of this questionnaire is to help the court's mediators provide the best possible mediation service in this case; it serves no other function. Responses to this questionnaire are *not* confidential. Appellants/Petitioners must electronically file this document within 7 days of the docketing of the case. 9th Cir. R. 3-4 and 15-2. Appellees/Respondents may file the questionnaire, but are not required to do so.

9th Circuit Case Number(s): 12-55115
District Court/Agency Case Number(s): 2:10-cv-08377-JAK-JEM
District Court/Agency Location: U.S. District Court for Central California, Los Angeles
Case Name: Birdt v. Baca
If District Court, docket entry number(s) of order(s) appealed from: 96
Name of party/parties submitting this form: Plaintiff, Jonathan W. Birdt
Please briefly describe the dispute that gave rise to this lawsuit.
Denial of a permit to carry a concealed weapon.
Briefly describe the result below and the main issues on appeal.
The District Court found that Defendants policy of not issuing permits furthered the goal of reducing crime, but Plaintiff contends there was no evidence to support that conclusion. Plaintiff contends the Court evaluated the wrong nexus, i.e., the court found reducing guns reduces crimes, whereas the only expert testimony on the topic of CCW's was that they reduced crime. Plaintiff contends the government had to prove that its' policy was related to the goal, not a general fear of guns, but failed to do so.
Describe any proceedings remaining below or any related proceedings in other tribunals.
None.

Provide any other thoughts you would like to bring to the attention of the mediator.
Mediation would be non-productive. There are a number of pending legal challenges, and until a Judge tells Sheriff Baca and Chief Beck that they are violating the Second Amendment, they will not change their political stance.
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CERTIFICATION OF COUNSEL
I certify that:
a current service list with telephone and fax numbers and email addresses is attached
(see 9th Circuit Rule 3-2).
I understand that failure to provide the Court with a completed form and service list \Box may result in sanctions, including dismissal of the appeal.
Signature s/ Jonathan Birdt
("s/" plus attorney name may be used in lieu of a manual signature on electronically-filed documents.)
Counsel for self.

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